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UServeUtah Honors St. George Volunteer with Power of Service Award

SAINT GEORGE, UT- The UServeUtah Power of Service award was recently presented to Maggie LaDuca of St. George, Utah. The Award was presented at the Southern Utah Community Impact Summit by Dave Clark, UServeUtah Commissioner and LaDawn Stoddard, UServeUtah Director. Maggie was selected for the Power of Service Award because of her outstanding service as a skills-based volunteer in a nonprofit organization.

Shortly after the Alzheimer's and Dementia Society was founded in March 2012, Maggie LaDuca began offering her professional skills in nonprofit bookkeeping as a volunteer for the organization. She happily advises the Alzheimer's & Dementia Society on proper protocol for nonprofit financial practices. Her advice and skill have helped establish the record-keeping and books. Her many hours of volunteer work have saved the organization funds that are used to provide other services for the organization's clients.

The organization's founder, LuAnn Lundquist, said Maggie is a valued volunteer who not only has come every month for the past four years as their bookkeeper, but has also recruited other volunteers to serve on boards, booths, and committees, providing instrumental growth to the organization.

"Maggie is a vivacious senior who cares about the well-being of others," Lundquist said. "She often welcomes caregivers who come into the office for help with a happy and genuine greeting, putting others at ease the moment they walk in the door."

One volunteer is chosen three times a year to receive the Power of Service Award. This award is given to a volunteer that shows significant commitment to their community and demonstrates the power of volunteer service through their activities. Power of Service Awardees are selected from the pool of Lt. Governor's Volunteer Recognition Certificate recipients. The Lt. Governor's Volunteer Recognition Certificate program is an opportunity for nonprofit, faith-based, corporate and government agencies to recognize the on-going volunteer efforts in their own agencies with a certificate signed by the Lieutenant Governor. If you know someone who has shown outstanding commitment to serving their community, please visit us online at UServe.Utah.gov to learn how to nominate them for a Lt. Governor's Volunteer Recognition Certificate.

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